

“(G) portfolio assessments that describe the optimal deployment of resources, including prioritizing financial resources for energy programs;

“(H) a mapping of the linkages among basic research and applied programs, demonstration programs, and other innovation mechanisms across the Federal agencies;

“(I) an identification of, and projections for, demonstration projects, including timeframes, milestones, sources of funding, and management;

“(J) an identification of public and private funding needs for various energy technologies, systems, and infrastructure, including consideration of public-private partnerships, loans, and loan guarantees;

“(K) an assessment of global competitors and an identification of programs that can be enhanced with international cooperation;

“(L) an identification of policy gaps that need to be filled to accelerate the adoption and diffusion of energy technologies, including consideration of—

“(i) Federal tax policies; and

“(ii) the role of Federal agencies as early adopters and purchasers of new energy technologies;

“(M) a priority list for implementation of objectives and actions taking into account estimated Federal budgetary resources;

“(N) an analysis of—

“(i) points of maximum leverage for policy intervention to achieve outcomes; and

“(ii) areas of energy policy that can be most effective in meeting national goals for the energy sector; and

“(O) recommendations for executive branch organization changes to facilitate the development and implementation of Federal energy policies.

“(e) INTERIM REPORTS.—The President may prepare and publish interim reports as part of the Quadrennial Energy Review.

“(f) EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy shall provide the Quadrennial Energy Review with an Executive Secretariat who shall make available the necessary analytical, financial, and administrative support for the conduct of each Quadrennial Energy Review required under this section.

“(2) COOPERATION.—The heads of applicable Federal agencies shall cooperate with the Secretary and provide such assistance, information, and resources as the Secretary may require to assist in carrying out this section.”.

(c) ADMINISTRATION.—Nothing in this section or an amendment made by this section supersedes, modifies, amends, or repeals any provision of Federal law not expressly superseded, modified, amended, or repealed by this section.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014, at 9 a.m. in room SR-328A of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “2014 Farm Bill: Implementation and Next Steps.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014, at 2:30 p.m. in room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “Surface Transportation Reauthorization: Progress, Challenges, and Next Steps.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:30 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC POLICY

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Policy be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014 at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled “Drivers of Job Creation.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on May 7, 2014, in room SD-562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building at 2:15 p.m. to conduct a hearing entitled “The Fight Against Cancer: Challenges, Progress, and Promise.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Dr. Sydney Kaufman, a fellow from the American Association for the Advancement of Science, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the 113th Congress.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### KILAH DAVENPORT CHILD PROTECTION ACT OF 2013

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3627 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3627) to require the Attorney General to report on State law penalties for certain child abusers, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be

read a third time and passed and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 3627) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 2824 AND H.R. 3826

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I understand that there are two bills at the desk, and I ask for their first reading en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bills by title for the first time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2824) to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to stop the ongoing waste by the Department of the Interior of taxpayer resources and implement the final rule on excess spoil, mining waste, and buffers for perennial and intermittent streams, and for other purposes.

A bill (H.R. 3826) to provide direction to the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency regarding the establishment of standards for emissions of any greenhouse gas from fossil fuel-fired electric utility generating units, and for other purposes.

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I now ask for a second reading, and I object to my own request, all en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bills will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

#### REMOVAL OF INJUNCTION OF SECRECY—TREATY DOCUMENT NO. 113-4

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the injunction of secrecy be removed from the following treaty transmitted to the Senate on May 7, 2014, by the President of the United States: the Protocol Amending the Tax Convention with Spain, treaty document No. 113-4.

I further ask that the treaty be considered as having been read for the first time; that it be referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed; and that the President's message be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The message of the President is as follows:

*To the Senate of the United States:*

I transmit herewith, for the advice and consent of the Senate to its ratification, the Protocol Amending the Convention between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Spain for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and its Protocol, signed at Madrid on February 22, 1990, and a related Memorandum of Understanding signed on

January 14, 2013, at Madrid, together with correcting notes dated July 23, 2013, and January 31, 2014 (together the "proposed protocol"). I also transmit for the information of the Senate the report of the Department of State, which includes an overview of the proposed protocol.

The proposed protocol was negotiated to bring United States-Spain tax treaty relations into closer conformity with U.S. tax treaty policy. The proposed protocol exempts from source-country withholding cross-border payments of certain direct dividends, interest, royalties, and capital gains, and updates the provisions of the existing convention with respect to preventing abuse by third-country investors and the exchanges of information between revenue authorities. The proposed protocol also updates the mutual agreement procedure by requiring binding arbitration of certain cases that the competent authorities of the United States and Spain have been unable to resolve after a reasonable period of time.

I recommend the Senate give early and favorable consideration to the proposed protocol and give its advice and consent to its ratification.

BARACK OBAMA,  
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 7, 2014.

#### ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2014

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 8, 2014; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks, the time until 11:15 be equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees; that at 11:15 a.m. the Senate proceed to executive session under the previous order; further, that the cloture vote with respect to S. 2262, the Energy Savings and Industrial Competitiveness Act, occur upon disposition of Executive Calendar No. 4560 on Monday, May 12; finally, that the filing deadline for all first-degree amendments to S. 2262 be 1 p.m. tomorrow.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PROGRAM

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, tomorrow there will be a series of votes at 11:15 a.m. and another series at 1:45 p.m.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:40 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, May 8, 2014, at 9:30 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

##### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

##### To be colonel

CHRISTINE R. BERBERICK  
MIMI CANNONIER  
LISA M. COLE  
LISA A. DAVISON  
KRISTA L. DIXON  
COLLEEN M. FROHLING  
LOUIS A. GALLO  
CHERRON R. GALLUZZO  
ANDREA K. GOODEN  
ROSEMARY T. HALEY  
MICHELIN Y. JOPLIN  
MARIA L. MARCANGELO  
BRENDA J. MORGAN  
ROBYN D. NELSON  
CHRISTOPHER T. PAIGE  
KAREN J. RADER  
IMELDA M. REEDY  
AVEN L. STRAND  
THEODORE J. WALKER, JR.  
DEEDRA L. ZABOKRTSKY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

##### To be colonel

KENNETH G. CROOKS  
KELVIN G. GARDNER  
RANDALL E. KITCHENS  
RICHARD P. NOVOTNY  
DAVID M. TERRINONI  
JAMES D. TIMS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

##### To be colonel

JOHN T. AALBORG, JR.  
TERRENCE A. ADAMS  
TIMOTHY W. ALBRECHT  
CLIFFORD G. ALTIZER  
CHRISTOPHER R. AMRHEIN  
BRET D. ANDERSON  
JAMES C. ANDERSON  
MICHAEL P. ANDERSON  
THOMAS P. J. ANGELO  
RONJON ANNABALLI  
BRIAN S. ARMSTRONG  
WILLIAM B. ASHWORTH  
MATTHEW D. ATKINS  
TIMOTHY D. BAILEY  
JARVIS R. BAKER  
THOMAS E. BARNETT  
MARK A. BARREIRA  
SHANE A. BARRETT  
CURTIS R. BASS  
BRIAN MARC BEAMANN  
MICHAEL J. BEACH  
W. B. BEAUMONT  
KENYON K. BELL  
WILLIAM S. BELL  
MATTHEW P. BENIVEGNA  
CHRISTOPHER L. BENNETT  
EARL R. BENNETT, JR.  
SHERI G. BENNINGTON  
JOSEPH T. BENSON  
JON F. BERRY  
MICHAEL D. BIORN  
ARNO J. BISCHOFF  
DAVID M. BISSENETTE  
HEATHER W. BLACKWELL  
JONATHAN N. BLAND  
MARK E. BLOMME  
JASON J. BOCK  
HARLIE J. BODINE  
JEREMY S. BOENISCH  
BRIAN J. BOHNEK  
JUSTIN W. BOLDENOW  
PETER M. BONETTI  
RANDY L. BOSWELL  
WILLIAM D. BOWMAN  
SHAWN P. BRADY  
BRADLEY E. BRIDGES  
STEPHEN R. BROOKS  
PATRICK A. BROWN  
WILLIAM W. BROWNE III  
WILLIAM D. BRYANT  
BRIAN D. BURNS  
SCOTT A. CAIN  
KIM N. CAMPBELL  
SEAN J. CANTRELL  
LARRY D. CARD II  
ERIC A. CARNEY  
TRENT R. CARPENTER  
DOUGLAS T. CARROLL  
JENISE M. CARROLL

BURTON H. CATLEDGE  
RHETT D. CHAMPAGNE  
JENNIFER V. CHANDLER  
ERIC D. CHAPITAL  
MICHAEL A. CHARECKY  
GEORGE T. CLARK  
LANCE D. CLARK  
JOHN C. CLAXTON  
BRADLEY L. COCHRAN  
OMAR S. COLBERT  
RICHARD O. COLE  
RICHARD T. COONEY, JR.  
DENISE L. COOPER  
JEFFREY T. COOPER  
ROBERT B. COPEL  
CHRISTOPHER L. CORLEY  
HEIDI E. CORNELL  
CAVAN K. CRADDOCK  
RYAN B. CRAYCRAFT  
LUKE C. G. CROUSEY  
FRED R. CUNNINGHAM  
SCOVILL W. CURRIN  
JAMES M. CURRY  
JOHN W. DABERKOW  
KIMBERLY A. DAMALAS  
BRIAN K. DANIELS  
LELAND A. DAVIS  
MARK J. DAVIS  
ROBERT D. DAVIS  
CHRISTOPHER J. DEJESUS  
JOHN M. DESTAZIO  
STAN S. DIAMANTI  
BARRY A. DICKEY  
SCOTT A. DICKSON  
ROBERT A. DIETRICK  
GERALD A. DONOHUE  
TIMOTHY E. DREIFKE  
LYLE K. DREW  
SHANNON N. DRISCOLL  
DANIEL J. DUFFY  
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DAVID S. EAGLIN  
PATRICK S. EBERLE  
JASON S. EDELLUTE  
NATHAN J. ELLIOTT  
ERIC G. ELLMYER  
OSCAR E. ESPINOZA  
LARRY A. ESTES  
MIKE FAUNDA II  
RODNEY L. FAUTH, JR.  
ERIC J. FELT  
THOMAS D. FICKLIN  
WILLIAM D. FISCHER  
MICHAEL J. FLATTEN  
LARRY A. FLOYD, JR.  
WILLIAM A. FOSTER  
SETH C. FRANK  
STEPHEN P. FRANK  
TIMOTHY P. FRANZ  
LORINDA A. FREDERICK  
ROBERT C. FREDERIKSEN  
WILLIAM C. FREEMAN  
MATTHEW T. FRITZ  
JOHN T. GABRIEL  
CHARLES S. GALBREATH  
BRIAN D. GALLO  
CHARLES M. GAONA  
ELVERT L. GARDNER  
RUSSELL S. GARNER  
LAURA K. GARRETT  
JOEL W. GARTNER  
THOMAS A. GEISER  
TIMOTHY W. GILLASPIE  
TIMOTHY D. TODD ALA GILLESPIE  
GREGORY M. GILLINGER  
DOUGLAS W. GILPIN  
AARON W. GITTNER  
GERARD G. GLECKEL, JR.  
JOHN M. GONDOL  
RICHARD E. GOODMAN II  
LASHECO B. GRAHAM  
JENNIFER L. GRANT  
MICHAEL R. GREEN  
MATT E. GREENE  
JAMES S. GRIFFIN  
BRENT A. GROMETER  
JULIE A. GRUNDAHL  
DARREN L. HALL  
JONATHAN T. HAMILL  
MICHAEL T. HAMMOND  
MICHAEL D. HARM  
CHRISTOPHER HARRIS  
TROY R. HARTING  
CHAD JAMES HARTMAN  
BRADY P. HAUBOLDT  
STEVEN R. HEFFINGTON  
PHILLIP L. HENDRIX II  
MARK D. HENRY  
BRUCE F. HESELTINE, JR.  
JUSTIN L. HICKMAN  
MATTHEW W. HIGER  
BRANDON R. HILEMAN  
WILLIAM R. HILL II  
JASON T. HINDS  
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JUSTIN R. HOFFMAN  
KELLY R. HOLBERT  
MICHAEL D. HOLLIDAY  
CRAIG M. HOLLIS  
DAVID W. HONCHUL  
STEVEN P. HORTON  
EDWARD J. HOSPODAR, JR.  
JOHN O. HOWARD  
CHRISTOPHER R. HUISMAN  
BRITT K. HURST  
STACY J. HUSER  
GREGORY E. HUTSON